

FRANCHISES UP BEFORE COUNCIL

Petition of Jesse Knight of Provo Reviewed Again With Meager Net Results.

SEVERAL AMENDMENTS DUE.

Percentage of Earnings, a Union Station for Interurban Roads and Other Suggestions Introduced.

The city council took up the petition of Jesse Knight of Provo for an interurban franchise again last night, but very little was accomplished. After placing more restrictions on the proposed franchise, it was sent to City Atty. H. J. Dinnity to re-draft and return to the committee of the whole next Tuesday night. The franchise was amended providing that the company should carry all freight, baggage, and mail in a closed car similar to the passenger cars which will be used. It was also suggested that the franchise be amended so as only to allow the railway company to haul freight between the hours of midnight and 6 o'clock in the morning.

Some members of the council insist that the franchise be amended so that the railway company will have to use the same construction and steel poles inside the city limits. The company will also be asked to grade the streets, 15 feet on each side of the outer rail.

Walter C. Lyne suggested that the company be compelled to pay a percentage of its gross earnings on the following basis:

For the first 10 years, 1 per cent; for the second 10 years, 2 per cent; for the third 10 years, 3 per cent; for the fourth 10 years, 4 per cent; and for the last 10 years of the 50-year franchise, 5 per cent.

Jacob Evans represented Mr. Knight's interests in the matter. He will meet with the city attorney to work out the details before it is presented again.

During the consideration of the franchise, it was intimated by some of the councilmen that a union station should be erected for interurban roads. It is probable that arrangements will be made by the Saltair, Bamberger and Knight interests to have a common terminal on the proposed site of the Saltair depot in the rear of the Cullen hotel.

GETTING AT INSIDE FACTS.

At Friday's New York hearing on the Pacific railroad merger case, Government Atty. Severance asked about the branch line which the Oregon Railway & Navigation company began to build out of Coos Bay, Or., in 1907, but which was subsequently abandoned.

Mr. O'Brien admitted the company refused to complete this line because the people of Coos Bay did not guarantee 4 per cent on the investment over the cost of maintenance and operation.

In giving the time made by freight trains over the Oregon Railway & Navigation line, Mr. O'Brien said the 404 miles between Huntington and Portland were made in 34 hours and 55 minutes, or at the rate of about 12 miles an hour.

Mr. Severance inquired why there should be better expedition on the Oregon Railway & Navigation than over the Union Pacific main line. Mr. O'Brien admitted that the fact the road was in competition with the Northern Pacific had something to do with it, although the limitations and regulations of the Portland railway also had a bearing.

NO FEAR OF FLOODS.

Tacoma, Wash., Feb. 25.—Railroad officials were today making plans for a renewal of the heavy snowfall in the Cascade mountains, dispelling fear of floods. The lull in the storm was short, but permitted the arrival of the first eastern mail train since last Tuesday night and the dispatch of supplies to the marooned operators of a rotary snow plow on the Milwaukee line.

In response to the late storm warning all trains were headed by snow-plows, prepared to cut their way through the heavy drifts.

PRICE OF FARE CUT.

The stage fare between Pioche and Modena has been reduced to \$5 each way, instead of \$10 for a single trip, or \$15 for a round trip.

TO SPEAK ON GENEALOGY.

Prof. Osborne Wildtson will speak on "Surnames" at the tabernacle at Provo Sunday at 2 p. m. This is the second of a series of lectures given under the auspices of the missionary class of the B. T. university, and is held Sunday afternoon so as to enable all interested to attend.

In the tenth ward, Salt Lake, Elder Duncan A. McEwen will speak on the subject of genealogy.

THE HIGHEST SHOE STORE AND MILLINERY ESTABLISHMENT IN THE WEST.

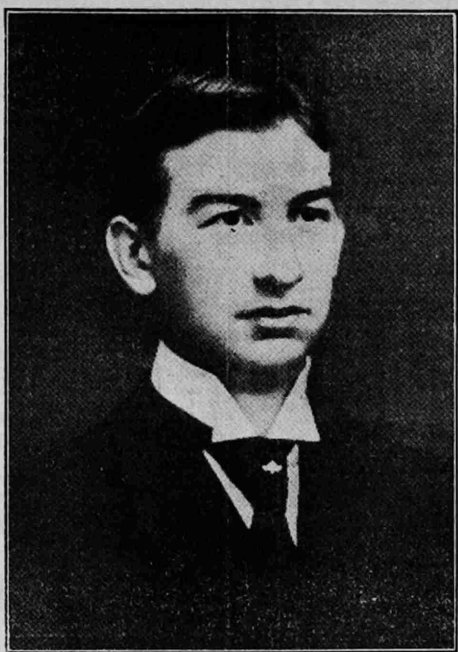
That Salt Lake is getting the metropolitan spirit of her eastern sisters is evidenced by the tendency of some of our local concerns to introduce the scraper shopping. When it was announced that in the Boston building were to be opened shoe parlors on the 11th floor, it was regarded as a great evolution in merchandising and some of the wise ones shook their heads predicting an early death to such an enterprise.

Mr. Tom Butler, whose name among Salt Lake's shoe people is a household word was willing to undertake this New York idea and transplant it to Salt Lake. At once the idea appealed to both men and women how really pleasing it would be to escape the heat and bustle of the crowded streets and by taking the elevator to the 11th floor of the big sky scraper, to do their shopping at leisure and without the annoying hustle and crush of the congested districts.

This idea has proved unusually successful not only in the case of the Butler Art Shoe Co., but also in the millinery line. Down the hall on the east side are the dainty little parlors of Mrs. Clara Stephenson who has recently returned from her purchasing trip to New York. Women seem to delight in the pleasures of viewing these beautiful creations from Paris and New York and the cleverly designed adaptations produced by these experienced modistes.

The restful spirit accompanying shopping at this great height seems to appeal so strongly to the femininity that each week shows pleasing increase in the cash receipts. While Mr. Butler of the Art Shoe says that he "fits ten toes and fits them perfectly," Mrs. Stephenson has adopted as her slogan "A hat for every head" providing it is a head that appreciates exclusive designs and modish patterns.

Surely Salt Lake has in this regard assumed a metropolitan aspect.



CASHIER NESLEN RETIRES FROM 'NEWS' AFTER FIFTEEN YEARS SERVICE.

On March 1, Mr. C. Clarence Neslen, cashier of the Deseret News, retires from the service of the company after an employment which has lasted nearly 15 years. It was in July, 1895, that Mr. Neslen first entered the service of the paper when it was located on the old corner where the Hotel Utah is now being erected. At that time he was only a boy, and he started in as driver of the delivery wagon, graduating by steady promotion through the grades of office boy, clerk, collector, etc., until he reached the cashiership, a position which he has filled with efficiency and honor ever since the death of the late John A. Evans.

Mr. Neslen retires to become office manager of the Kimball & Richards company, whose real estate operations have reached such mammoth proportions that they are compelled to engage a man of experience, skill, and responsibility to take charge of their office affairs. The "News" parts with Mr. Neslen with regret, and feels certain that in the new line of business he will make the success for himself and his firm that has always attended his career in this office. He has been a faithful, devoted and conscientious member of the "News" family, and the best wishes of the paper will follow him to his new field.

Mr. Neslen will be succeeded in the cashiership by Mr. O. S. Squires, another old employee who has come up through the ranks through long and faithful service.

WOMEN SELECTED TO INVESTIGATE SCHOOLS

New Movement Launched With the Intention to Increase the Efficiency of Public Education.

The National Education association has inaugurated a new movement intended to increase the efficiency of the public schools. Feeling the need of greater interest on the part of parents of school children in school administration a committee has been appointed in every state to forward this idea. These committees having their authority from so great and influential a body as the N. E. A. those interested have every reason to believe that their work will be both important and practicable. The Utah State Committee of School Patrons was organized this week at the residence of Mrs. C. E. Allen, representative of the National Congress of Mothers. Mrs. James T. Treasurer, the General Federation of Women's clubs; Mrs. Charles T. Van Winkle, the association of Collegiate Alumnae and Mrs. L. Clawson and Miss Rosalie Pollock, members at large, were selected.

The Utah committee elected Mrs. Allen, chairman; Mrs. C. T. Van Winkle, secretary.

The N. E. A. has suggested that the interest of school patrons be enlisted by the investigation of local conditions and by the making of their reports public through the press. Accordingly the Utah committee has chosen the following subjects for investigation for the remainder of the school year: The feasibility of placing women on school boards of state institutions and boards of education, including the question of grammar school conditions and a systematic review of the course of instruction in public schools.

It is the intention of the committee to start giving out their findings to the press within a week or two.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

Mr. and Mrs. Henry T. McEwan announce the engagement of their daughter, Marian, to Alfred T. Cutler.

Mrs. T. R. Harker was hostess at a delightful bridge party at the Post in honor of Mrs. O. B. Meyer who is on her way to the Philippines. The rooms were effectively decorated and about three tables played. Among the guests were Mrs. Walter Scott and Mrs. J. S. Upham.

Last night the university senior class gave their fourth annual dance at Odeon hall and about 100 couples were present. Punch was served on the lower floor. The patrons were Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Ritter, President and Mrs. J. T. Kingsbury, Dean and Mrs. Joseph Merrill, Prof. and Mrs. George M. Marshall, Prof. and Mrs. R. R. Lyman, Prof. and Mrs. Fred J. Pack and Mrs. J. T. Beless.

Mrs. Walter Scott Weiler was one of yesterday's hostesses entertaining her sewing club at a delightful party in her apartment at the Kensington, and later at dinner in the Lion House, the latter being in the hands of the domestic science class. The table was decorated in pink and white carnations and the guests were Mrs. Merrill Nibley, Mrs. Joseph Howell, Mrs. Nephi L. Morris, Mrs. Frank Pratt, Mrs. Hyrum Bergstrom, Mrs. Walter Foulton, Mrs. Joseph Nibley, Mrs. Joel Nibley and Mrs. J. Medley Johnson.

Miss Stella Fabian entertains at a bridge tea this afternoon in honor of Miss Carey Marshall, Miss Dickson and Miss Trask of Denver.

Lieut. and Mrs. F. M. Miller entertain this evening at cards at the Post.

Mrs. W. D. Maclean entertains at 500 this afternoon.

M. and Mrs. C. B. Onderdonk will entertain at cards this evening.

The high school cadets will give a ball at Odeon hall on March 11 in honor of officers of the Ogden high school drum corps and the Agricultural college battalion.

Yesterday Miss Esther Allen and Henry Clinton Gaw were married, the ceremony being performed by Rev. W. A. Faden at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Allen at noon in the presence of the family and a few intimate friends. Mr. and Mrs.

MEDIOCRE BILL AT DIVORCE MATINEE

Double Team, Which Became Matrimonially Entangled, Presented as the Headliner.

UNIQUE COMPLICATIONS.

Mrs. Minnie C. Custer Has Two Husbands While Her Better Third Has Two Wives.

Mrs. Annie L. Sutton, who was deserted by her husband, Harvey Sutton, on their wedding day, was the only person who was granted an interlocutory decree of divorce by Judge Charles W. Morse on the regular Friday afternoon calendar. They were married at Farmington, July 29, 1905. In the evening after the ceremony, Sutton disappeared and she has not seen him since. Her maiden name, Annie L. McDaniel, was restored to her.

Mrs. Minnie C. Custer, who has two husbands, and Ernest L. Custer, who has two wives, were before the court Friday attempting to get matters in shape for the trial of their remarkable matrimonial tangle. Mrs. Custer wanted \$350 suit money in order to obtain the deposition of witnesses in Denver and Seattle. After a hearing on the petition and affidavit, Judge Morse allowed her \$300.

MARRIED TWICE

When George D. Miles was cited before the court because he had neglected to pay the alimony for the support of his two children, Judge Morse learned that he had married another woman three weeks ago. Mrs. Lydia Miles Stevens, who obtained her divorce from Miles last March, also married again, and they have both had considerable trouble caring for their two children. Miles is in arrears \$50 and Judge Morse ordered him to pay two-thirds of his wages until the alimony was made up.

Beulah Bagley, who seeks a divorce from Charles Bagley on the ground of desertion, was a little too hasty, Judge Morse found out, for her decree and continued the case a week. The time for answering her complaint had not expired. Bagley is now in San Francisco, where he has been for some time. They were married here on March 12, 1901, and have three children; she asks for \$50 a month alimony.

JORDAN RIVER RISING.

Surplus Canal Dam Torn Out to Take Care of Flood Waters.

The Jordan river rose five inches Friday afternoon and it became necessary to tear the dam out of the surplus canal to prevent the water from flooding the county on both sides of the river. With the canal in operation, the river receded rapidly and temporary relief was given from any damage.

Jake Raleigh, street supervisor, had a gang of men at work Friday watching the river and building up the weak places. At the mouth of the surplus canal all the preparatory work was finished and the dredger will begin work Monday morning widening the mouth of the canal and deepening it.

COTTON PLEADS NOT GUILTY.

Man Accused of Murder of Hazel Astell Is Arraigned on Charge.

B. C. Cotton, whose arrest was caused by the suspicious death of Miss Hazel Astell of Sandy, was arraigned in Justice Bishop's court Friday afternoon, and pleaded not guilty to the charge of murder in the second degree. It is alleged that the young girl came to her death by poison in the form of Strychnine. The indictment containing a large proportion of morphine, which was administered by Cotton.

The complaint against Cotton was sworn to by the report of an autopsy performed by the county physician and the chemical analysis of the stomach of the deceased girl.

The date of the preliminary hearing has not been set, and in default of \$5,000 bonds the defendant is held in the custody of the sheriff.

BOLD YOUNG THIEVES.

Police Interrupt Two Boys Making Away With 688 Pounds of Copper.

With bold audacity J. R. Meyer, aged 19 years, and Elmer Peterson, a youngster of 17 years, attempted last night to steal a coil of copper trolley wire weighing 688 pounds and valued at \$75.88. Caught in the act they were now held in the city jail pending the preferment of a grand larceny charge.

The wire was stolen from the Second East street car barn, known as the old paint shop, and the first intimation of the theft obtained by the police was when a late street pedestrian informed the central station shortly after midnight.

night that he had seen two young men rolling a big coil of wire down Second East street. Police Sgt. Beckstead took up the investigation personally, and on Second East just below First South street came upon the two youths engaged in cutting the coil with an ax. As he came up to them both started to run, but after a shot had been fired in the air Meyer lost his nerve and halted with the

begging plea, "Don't shoot." Peterson kept on running and Sgt. Beckstead returned to the station with Meyer. Early this morning Peterson was picked up by Officers Bush and Lyon. The boys had entered the car barn about midnight, and finding the wire reeled on one of the big spools, started away with the whole thing. While rolling down the steep street the wood-spoke broke, releasing the heavy

wire and tangling it up. The boys had then secured an axe and at the time of their detection were cutting the wire so as to make it more manageable in its being carried away.

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All of them are not expensive. Some are offered at \$20, \$30, \$50, \$75, \$100, \$125 and so on.

Very likely you will find just what you want at the price you can afford—and should you ever desire to dispose of it, the rug will be worth its face value and often more.

A big sale is now on and we want you to come in and see the rugs and learn the prices which are considerable less than usual.

Spring Styles Boys' Suits and Reefers

We are now ready to show some of our new spring apparel for boys. New goods, new fabrics and new styles. Just a part of what our complete stock will show but enough to meet the wants of the early buyers.



Spring Styles

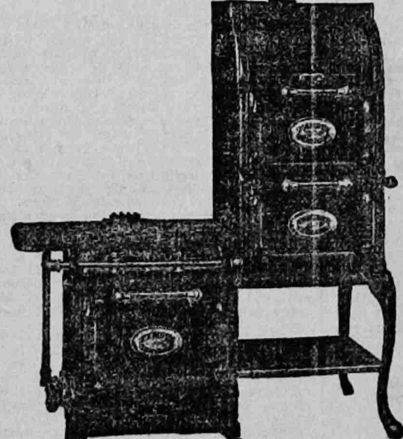
The advance numbers now in stock show the new models and the new spring colorings. Grays and blues are the proper colors for this spring, stripes and neat checks in grays and the self stripe and plain serges in the blues are the modish patterns.

Models

Russian Suits, 4 styles, sizes 2 to 7 years.
Norfolk Suits, 2 styles, sizes 6 to 12 years.
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